THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE EMERSON BOARD OF HEALTH WAS HELD ON OCTOBER 13, 2016 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE BOROUGH HALL.

These Minutes have not been formally approved by the Emerson Board of Health and are subject to change or modification at the next regular meeting at which time they will be adopted.

Roll Call: Elaine Rizzo, Cindy Bischoff, Linda Lahey and Susan Gibbons. Also present was Angela Musella, Health Officer; Council liaison Danielle Di Paola and Peggy Di Lello, Health Assistant

Absentee: Nicole Argenzia

The health assistant notified Board of Health members that in case of a fire follow the Fire Exit sign above the door to the left of the Conference Room and exit calmly.

The Board of Health meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Board of Health President Elaine Rizzo.

The Board of Health members saluted the Flag and had a Moment of Silence.

Motion by Cindy Bischoff, Seconded by Susan Gibbons, that the Board of Health Minutes of September 8, 2016 be approved with the following amendment:

> Council Liaison Report.
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> The borough attorney is amending Chapter 140 of the Emerson Code entitled, "Dogs and Other Animals" and will ask the Board of Health members to peruse the ordinance and make suggestions.
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> *The Board of Health advised Council liaison Danielle Di Paola to contact the borough attorney and request a copy of the old ordinance, "Dogs and Other Animals" in Chapter 140 of the Emerson Code, from the borough attorney with her suggested changes. This will enable the Board of Health to compare both and to make any appropriate suggestions.*

The Finance, Vital Statistics, and Dog Licensing reports for September were accepted as submitted.

Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission Activity Report for September was accepted as submitted.

Health Officer Angela Musella approved one resident for Zika testing through the New Jersey Department of Health (NJ DOH) Laboratory. Health Officer Angela Musella

participated in a NJ DOH conference call on Zika Virus. A physician called to discuss Zika testing for his patient who is an Emerson resident.

Thirteen businesses were inspected, including vendors at Assumption Carnival, which were satisfactory.

Hackensack Golf and Swim Club pool water was monitored.

The health inspector did one plan review for Jersey Mike's Subs

Review of Complaint File.

A resident complained that there is high grass, mice and mosquitoes at a Karen Lane house, which has been vacant for over a year.

The health inspector visited the property and did not observe any rat burrows. She did observe a catch basin in the backyard that had water in it that wasn't flowing at the time of inspection. A request was sent to Bergen County Mosquito Commission (BCMC) asking them to treat the catch basin. An email was also sent to Emerson property maintenance officer regarding the high grass. The BCMC confirmed that they treated the catch basin in the backyard and sprayed the property. The health inspector informed the property maintenance officer that the home had been treated by BCMC. Complaint closed.

There was one inquiry about a bench at Emerson Public Library being covered with peanut butter.

Borough Administrator inquired whether a warning sign should be posted on the bench, despite it being cleaned and disinfected. The health officials agreed that if the bench was disinfected with a bleach and water solution, there should be no need to post a sign. Inquiry closed.

Just Pups was scheduled for court on October 12 and was postponed, as court officials are waiting for discovery.

Two individuals from the Emerson Hotel attended a ServSafe Food Handlers course in Waldwick.

The Health Educator will be working with the Board of Health members and school nurses, implementing health education programs for the general public.

Payment of Vouchers:

NJ State Department of Health 9/1/16-9/30/16 Dog License: Report:	$ 1.20
TYCO Animal Control:	715.00
Marriage/Civil Union License Report:	200.00

NEW BUSINESS:

a. School Immunization Audit.

Discussion incurred regarding school immunization audit reports and the concern that new students are going to nursery school without immunization. Health officer noted that the audit reports are usually done the end of December and January.

b. Health Consultation Program.

Residents should have an annual health risk assessment done by the public health nurse. The nurse should be educating residents and going over what medications they are taking. The health forms should be current and updated. Northwest Bergen Regional Health Commission's nurse is interested in meeting with Emerson public health nurse.

c. Temporary Retail Food License

The Environmental Commission decided not to participate in the Harvest Festival this year. The Board of Health members asked health Assistant to poll surrounding towns inquiring what their fee is for a temporary retail food license.

Motion by Cindy Bischoff, Seconded by Linda Lahey, that the Board of Health meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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